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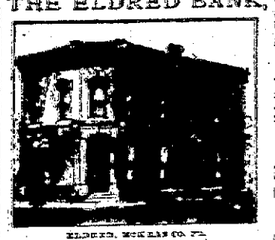

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She sat on the steps of the organ loft,
Just after the crowd hymn;
And through eave and chair to cool gray spire
The sound rose faint and dim,
As they settled themselves in the church below
For the sermon that followed next,
And I seated myself at the choir's side
As the parson took his text.

I marked the tender flush of her cheek,
And the gleam of her golden hair,
The snowy kerchief round her neck,
And her throat all white and bare;
A throat as white that indeed it might
An exclusive entree;
And I faintly heard the parson's word
As he preached about Paradise.

My arm stole gently around her waist
I felt our fingers meet;
And a deepening blush made the tender flush
Of her cheek grow deeper yet.
Snowy and fair the hand beneath,
And brown the palm above,
And the brown closed softly over the white
As the parting spoke of love.

Ah, who is wise, when deep him eyes
Meet his and look coyly down?
Who would be critic, nor care to think
Of envy's jealous frown?
Tears but to lend 'till I felt her breath
Grow warm on my cheek, and then
My lips just softly touched her own
As the parson said Amen.

Miscellaneous.

LIZETTE.

'I am no worse-tempered than you,' she answered sharply; yet she did not turn her face to him, but kept on looking soberly into the fire.

'O yes, you are,' he persisted; then he laughed.

He laughed too often, she thought—that easy, sluggish, irritating laugh. Whether she were gay or gloomy, blithe voiced or in pain, it mattered not, he could laugh. She looked out from under sweeping lashes and jetty brows, and wondered that she could not hate him. She spoke again presently, with slow defiance:

'I say that I am not.'

'Ha ha!'

In the silence that followed a murderous impulse possessed her: a voice seemed whispering in her ears: 'You could kill him; he deserves it; it would be right.'

But she shook off the suggestion; shook her head and let her long black hair fall loosely back upon her shoulders and the crimson chair-back, as she turned and viewed her surroundings.

It was a comfortable upper room with curtained alcove—not elegant or especially artistic, but warm and home like, though without the wind and snow beat the panes with wild reproach.

She turned to the fire again, and spoke carelessly:

'Do you know that to-morrow is my birthday? What are you going to give me before you go for a present?'

'Birthdays are a humbug. I don't believe in them. Heavens, don't you get enough from me anyway?'

'Perhaps I do,' she answered, coolly enough. 'It hadn't occurred to me. Perhaps I ought to give you a present.'

'I'd like to know what you'd give me.'

He was lounging in the most comfortable chair, his feet perched upon the centre-table, and the luxurious pipe he held accounted for the blue fragrance curling silently off to the room's corners.

They were not near each other, but could easily face about for conversation.

The house was quiet, reputable, of good standing; nobody would dream of questioning her right to bear his name, though he came and went at his pleasure, only demanding that he find her well-dressed, agreeable, good-humored.

By-and-by she spoke again, very gently:

'Suppose I should give you—my absence?'

He held the pipe at one side and half arose from the depths of the chair.

'Your absence?'

'Yes; my absence.'

'Do you mean you would leave me? Well, who is it now?'

She would not let him find it in his power to insult her, but went on soberly:

'Other women work and earn livings. Why shouldn't I?'

'You work?' His words were an cutting as the short laugh that followed. 'I should like to see you work. What do you know of work? There isn't a thing on earth you could do. Where would you go without references? The first place you'd bring up would be in some refuge,' where they'd cram it down your throat how vile you were. Vile! Do you hear? You'd like that. No: if you're wise you'll not leave me, for you couldn't get along at all without my help.'

It was well he escaped a sight of her face as he concluded; it might have been harm for both had he seen the terrible look that came into her eyes. Poor, pretty gray eyes, sent tears or shadows, or anything save sudden, momentary fire.

'No, my dear,' he repeated, yawning slightly as he lowered his feet and stood erect. 'It wouldn't be a sensible move on your part. What time is it? You can see the clock. I've got to start soon—the train goes at 8.'

'It's after 5,' she answered.

'That settles it. Good-by, pipe. Is my sack all packed, Lizette? Pity I couldn't have gone to-morrow as well; these infernal employers jerk a man about as if he were a machine of some kind, without any feeling at all. Well, I believe that's all, Lizette. Be a good girl and perhaps I'll bring you something. O, I forgot; want something for your birthday, don't you? Here; that's all I've got. Don't say I never gave anything.'

He flung a gold piece on her lap, and finished putting on his things.

'George! It's a stormy night. With I'd thought to have a carriage. You might have gone to the depot with me.'

She had not spoken once for all his words; nor had she touched the gold that lay shining in the folds of her crimson dress.

'Well,' he cried, impatiently, 'I'm ready. Ain't you coming to the door? O, quit sulking, for Heaven's sake; it doesn't become you.'

'I'm not sulking; haven't I a right to think?'

'No, you haven't any right to be disagreeable.'

'You ought to have mentioned that before. It's too late now. I've a right to do anything I please.'

'I don't think you have, my dear, when it doesn't suit me.'

She rose and spoke unhesitatingly.

'I say I have a right to do anything I please.'

'You'd better not say it again.'

'I'll say it a thousand times.'

He dropped his cask; a threatening whiteness came into his face; then he laughed it off.

'You little fool, what are you ugly about? Because I'm off for your birthday? Why, I'd stay if I could. There now, climb and kiss me. Quick, I'm in a hurry.'

'I'd see you——' the flame that had kindled in her gray eyes was a revelation. He turned and went out, slamming the door.

She waited awhile by the fire, leaning an elbow on the mantel. Presently she went to the window and drew aside the curtain.

It was a bitter, bitter night. How the wind raved and flung the snow about! Fancy one homeless, adrift this awful night!

No; there was no safe place, no haven. There was nothing left but to live on here at his mercy.

Yonder on a dark spot of the carpet lay the gold that had slipped from her dress-folds to glisten in the fire-light. She looked upon it scornfully.

There was a rustling sound in the hall by-and-by, the faint sweep of a woman's dress, and steps that hesitated.

After a bit there came a light knock, and the door opened to the mistress of the house—a timid, low-voiced woman.

'All alone, Mrs. Vernon?'

'All alone,' repeated Lizette.

'A stormy night for Mr. Vernon to go away.'

'A terrible night,' said Lizette.

'But your fire looks cozy; I thought you might be lonesome, so I run in for a moment. Am I intruding?'

'O, no, no. Sit down. I am glad you came. I have been thinking of asking your advice. I was asked myself, but haven't been able to decide. It's a woman who is in great trouble. I am very sorry for her—terribly sorry. . . . She is not wholly bad; she has been the victim of circumstances. I think I'll tell you the story. I have almost made up my mind what I shall say to her. She—she has never been married, but a man tried to be wife, she has tried.

She used to think he loved her—all think that—but she is getting over thinking so. It—it seems as if he despised her now.' She paused a moment and smoothed her crimson dress-folds, and looked steadily into the fire. 'Of course she was poor, poor and humble, or he never would ruled her so. And she was young, very young, and ignorant. Now she sees and understands it all—understands sneers, and coldness, and neglect. She—she thinks she cannot stand it much longer; she wants to—leave him—and try to earn an honest living. Mark: an honest living, although she has never been dishonest except to herself or cheated or harmed any one. But that's the world's way. She knows it will be an awful struggle; she is so ignorant; she doesn't know how to do much of anything. . . . She—she loves him yet, in spite of all. I hardly know how she will give him up, with thoughts of the horrible loneliness that must come afterwards. The loneliness at dead of night when she must reach out for him and find him gone!'

How the words seemed wrung from her lips—wrung and twisted into a bitter superhuman cry.

The other, watching her with curious surprise, spoke then, with slow beseeching:

'Why doesn't he marry her?'

'He doesn't—love her.' The girl's face turned from the fire as she answered, strangely rigid, thought her friend.

'Then she should leave him,' said the woman of the house, after a moment's reflection. 'It will come to that in the end; every added day will only increase the pain.'

'You think she should go at once?' with a slow hopelessness.

'At once, if ever.'

Lizette dropped her face.

'Yes,' she said, 'you are right. At once, if ever. The end has come.'

The woman who watched her sprang up with a sharp cry of comprehension.

'You have told your own story!'

'Yes,' came the dull answer. 'My own.'

A sudden fear came upon the other. She glanced nervously at the door and spoke in a whisper: 'Don't let my husband know.'

'No: but what matter? I am going away directly.'

'You needn't hurry if he doesn't know. O, Mrs. Vernon, it seems too awful!'

'I suppose so. . . . I've tried not to disgrace you. . . . Give me an hour longer.'

'Never mind, never mind; only don't let my husband know.'

And the poor little timid woman crept from the room.

'It's come at last,' Lizette said with a ghastly smile. 'I know it must come. . . . And as she says, at once, if ever. . . . I know it must come some day.

All power seemed to have gone out of her body; all power of thought or action. She had loved him; she loved him yet, for all unkindness or wrongs.

How the wind raved this bitter night; how warmly glowed the fire within!

She thought of many things; old, far-off, guileless days. Old faces came up; old voices whispered—voices silent since the years of her childhood.

She rose and made an endless circuit of the room like a caged animal, helpless, despairing. . . . Then came footsteps in the hall; the door was flung open—Martin Vernon had returned.

'You kept me so long I missed the train,' he cried. 'I'll have a pretty row at the office to-morrow.'

Lizette kept her face turned away. Why had he come back? She wondered why God had not kept him away—if God were good and knew her struggle. Why had it been made harder? Was it not hard enough?

'What's the matter now?' he demanded.

'I didn't expect you back,' she answered, huskily.

'O you didn't! Did you expect any one else? Got anybody hid in the alcove, like the French novels. . . . Look at the money on the floor. Hang it, why are you so careless? There's no sense in that.'

She turned on him with a burst of anguish:

'Let me be, for the love of Heaven! I have enough to bear.

He made no answer, but stepped within the alcove to put away his things.

Some one came knocking again; it was the landlady. She called Lizette to the door, and whispered, loudly, in her nervousness.

'I came to tell you that you need not hurry, nor fear that I would breathe a word.'

'Thank you,' said Lizette, without emotion.

As the door closed Vernon came from the alcove.

'What does she mean?' he asked. 'What have you been telling her?'

She faced him without a quiver.

'I've been telling her the truth.'

'What truth?'

Lizette went and got a shawl to wrap about her before she answered, as if she were chilly:

'That I was not your wife.'

'You told her that?'

She could tell by the flicker of his eye that an inner tempest was raging.

'You told her that, did you?'

'Yes.' She waited; waited for him to curse her, to strike her down, at his will. But he did neither. Perhaps she was too pitiful a sight there in all her forlornness.

'You may stand the consequences,' was all he said.

'I expect to. . . . I will go to-night.'

'Go, then, and be——'

'Silence!' She was meek no longer. She had rose and defied him. 'You shall not speak so; the time has come—the end! You played upon my ignorance, my helplessness. You think I'm in your power, but I am not. I will go to prison before I will stay with you—with such a——'

She drew the shawl closer and moved a little. Perhaps he thought the movement was toward the door, for he sprang forward and barred it.

'You'll stay to-night, madam, at least. To-morrow is another matter.' She rushed at him in powerless fury.

'You shan't hinder me; you want a chance to leave me to-morrow. You shall not have it.'

They struggled into the centre of the room; she, reckless of noise or outcry; he, constantly in fear of these, and so controlling his anger else he might have struck her, his conscience none too tender.

The struggle lasted but a moment; then she broke from him and ran out and down the stairs. He heard the street door shut and knew she had left the house.

He waited a little for her re-entrance; he dared not follow, dreading a scene made public to the house. He wondered if she had gone down into the snow of the street. Perhaps she had gone to some friend's house—he knew so little about her friends or acquaintances. Doubtless she was even now pouring complaints in the ears of some sympathetic meddler.

He grew moody by the fire; then he rose to get his pipe, and while in the act thought he might as well look out and see if it still snowed.

Shading the reflection from the pane he put his face close; the snow had ceased, but the wind was piling drifts at intervals. He went back to the fire and his pipe.

What a fool she was! This Lizette of his. What a hot-headed little fool.

To go and expose their private affairs to the landlady.

Of course they'd have to move; a pleasant prospect in such weather, Lizette might manage it, since he was going away tomorrow.

For all her hot-headed ways she was rather clever at such things. Yes, she was clever for a girl scarcely turned twenty . . . If only she would not act so childish! What a simpleton to rush out in the wind and snow. With only that shawl over her wrapper, and—good heavens. He wondered if she wore shoes or slippers.

Speaking of shoes, he must remember to have her sew on a button for him.

'Liz——' He stopped; he had forgotten she was not here. . . . She was capital at keeping his things in order; yes, she was good-hearted and clever. He remembered a thousand little things she had done for his comfort.

Good heavens, she mustn't talk of leaving him; he really couldn't spare her. He must make it up tomorrow or tonight if she returned. But he hoped she wouldn't expose herself. He didn't want to leave her sick when he went away.

Lizette was a pretty good girl, after all, and he was sorry they had quarrelled. . . .

He fell asleep in his chair—there, in the ruddy firelight, his pipe upon his knee, his hands clasped idly.

. . . . . .

Morning came up, cold and quiet, windless, yet intense. A sharp white sun scanned the town, nor warmed with sympathy into its many woes.

There were drifts of frozen snow along the avenues, piled high in unprotected places. The thousands of the city wakened by degrees and struggled forth into the bitter, out-door temperature.

Cars and carriages began to fill the streets with grinding sound of frosty wheels.

Out toward the western limits of the town, where the rustless wind had swept the prairie in the long, dark hours of night, there were deeper drifts than had been seen for years. And one was not all snow, since through it shone a glare of crimson like a pool of blood. Other eyes than the sun's felt upon this; a crowd was gathered there in awed silence and horrible fascination.

They put away the snow carefully by-and-by, for they knew it was a woman's dress that crimsoned the snow, her winding-sheet, and called to heaven as her blood might have called for pity and forgiveness for the stark young form, the marble face, the helpless hands of her whom they lifted so pityingly—Lizette.

A Wife's Calculation.

Mr. Topnoody lighted his cigar the other evening after supper just before starting down town, and Mrs. Topnoody looked at him and said:

'You smoke good cigars, don't you, Topnoody?'

'I try to, my dear.'

'I heard a lady say to-day her husband told her you smoked the five-for-a-shilling kind.'

'The scoundrel!' said Mr. Topnoody, indignantly.

'I told her I knew you had better taste than that.'

'Of course I have, my dear, and I'm glad you defend me. I smoke only the best, and these cost sixpence apiece wholesale.'

'How many do you smoke a day?'

'I smoke half a dozen; but I give away enough to make it average as much as ten a day. There's nothing mean about me, my dear, in that sort of thing.'

'Ten a day,' said his wife, meditatively, '365 days in a year—3650 cigars a year at 12 cents apiece amounts to $400. Topnoody I want a $100 seal skin jacket.'

'What, you shock me! Why, I can't afford it. I never wear any $100 clothes.'

'All the same I'm going to have it, and if I have to select it, I'll get one for $125, Topnoody.'

'But, my dear—'

'Don't but me, Topnoody. You may be a goat but I'm no target.'

'Good heavens, woman, you'll bankrupt me with your reckless extravagance.'

'You think I'm extravagant, do you?'

'Yes, I do; you are extravagant in everything, from your jaw clear 'Not everything, Topnoody.'

'Name one thing you ain't extravagant in, and I'll give you a dozen seal skins, if I have to mortgage the house to do it.'

'Will you? Well, I'll tell you mighty quick. I'm not extravagant in my admiration of a man named Topnoody, and I—'

Topnoody did not remain over to hear the conclusion.

It Takes Time.

Some time ago a gentleman stepped into the office of Mr. Blaine's publishers, and, addressing the head clerk, said:

'Is Mr. Blaine's book out yet?'

'No sir,' was the response.

'Has he finished writing it?'

'It is still unfinished.'

'What do you suppose is the cause of the delay?'

'Can't say for certain, but I guess Gail Hamilton's getting too old to work fast.—Brooklyn *Eagle*.

Fairy Stories About Snakes.

As a couple of gentlemen were riding down the Roanoke valley, Virginia, recently, they saw a huge green colored snake writhing and twisting at the root of a beech tree. Going closer they discovered it to be one of the horned species of the hoop-snake. It had formed itself into a hoop by taking its tail in its mouth and rolling down the hill in pursuit of a rabbit or other small game. So great had become its velocity that it couldn't guide itself and it had struck the tree with such force as to drive its horn into the solid wood to a depth of an inch or more, holding it tight and fast. There are a great many trees in the vicinity that have been struck in the same way, and they invariably die. So deadly is the poison that the leaves on young oaks have been known to wither within an hour after being struck.

In North Carolina there is a reptile known as the joint snake. When attacked it flies in pieces, each piece taking care of itself. A darkey attacked one of them the other day, and to his utter amazement it broke all up, each section jumping off in a different direction. In the course of an hour he returned that way and was utterly amazed again to see it all together except the tail piece. After waiting a few minutes he saw the tail coming up to join the body, taking sharp, quick little jerks. It came nearer and nearer until within a few inches of the three-quarter snake, when it gave a sudden jump and hitched on to its proper place with a fuss resembling the popping of a cap. The darkey knocked it to pieces several times, and each time it came together again. He carried his amusement too far, however, in throwing the tail part of the snake across the creek, just to see, he said, "how long it would take to catch up," but it never caught up.

The snake, with its three joints, was carried to the house, where a new tail is beginning to grow to replace the lost one. A gentleman who knows much about this singular species says a head will grow on the detached trunk, and there will be two snakes instead of one.

The most popular story of the Ohio Valley—the upper one.

Two Eggs.

Traveling Man—'Bring me two eggs, boiled.'

Waiter—'Yezzah.'

After a cheerless suspense, the waiter returned with one underdone egg.

'Did I not order two eggs?' asked the hungry drummer.

'Er—a—yezzah.'

'Where in the other egg?'

'It was rotten, sah.'—Boston *Budget*.

Didn't Keep It.

'Have you any champagne on ice?'

The question was asked by a well-dressed, sad-eyed man, as he strolled leisurely into the pharmaceutical establishment presided over by Dan Hill.

'We have,' answered Daniel, in his most dignified manner.

'Mumm's extra dry?'

'Yes, sir.'

'On ice?'

'Yes sir.'

'Well, please give me a small piece of ice.'

Then Daniel commenced looking around for a lemon squeezer and the customer took a tooth-pick and walked thoughtfully away.—Oil City *Blizzard*.

Didn't Keep It.

A few days since a stranger eating dinner in an Idaho hotel, and beckoning a waiter to him said:

'Bring me a glass of water.'

'Sir?' And the nonplussed waiter looked at him curiously.

'Bring me a glass of water.'

The waiter went out into the kitchen and soon returned and said:

'Beg pardon, stranger, but that last order of yours has slipped my memory. What is it you want?'

'I—want—a—glass—of—water! Do you understand that?'

A bright idea struck the waiter, and he rushed out to the bar. The bar-keeper looked over the labels on every bottle in the house, shook his head and said there wasn't a drop in stock. The waiter returned to the gentleman and reported, whereupon the latter roared out:

'You infernal idiot, can't you understand plain English! I want a glass of water—water to drink—and I want it quick!'

In desperation the waiter hunted up the proprietor and told him the story. The landlord looked puzzled, and himself entered the dining-room and approached the stranger, and said:

'Excuse me, sir, but my waiter is a little hard of hearing. I will take your order.'

'I ordered a glass of water. Nothing but straight water.'

'I'm sorry,' replied the landlord, but I can't accommodate you. There is so little call for those foreign drinks here that it doesn't pay to keep them. We've got some prime Kentucky whiskey in the bar, if you can get along on that.'

silence.—Bismarck *Tribune*.

More Evidence.

S. B. HARTMAN & Co., Columbus, O.—Gentlemen: Your Peruna sells as well as any patent medicine with us. Quite a number have told us that Peruna is the best thing they ever used.

H. L. DAY, New Vienna, Ohio.

Please send me some of your pamphlets, "Ills of Life." We are out of them, and they are asked for nearly every day. We are selling a great deal of Peruna. I. S. NESBIT, Indiana, Pa.

We handle your goods and they give good satisfaction S. WOLF & SON, Wilmot, Ohio.

Your medicines are having a big run, especially Peruna. GRIFFIN & BEAM, Powhattan Point, Ohio.

Ask your druggists for Dr. Hartman's wonderful book on the "Ills of Life," gratis.

THE truest mark of being born with great qualities is being born without envy.

More Valuable than Ever.

We direct our readers' attention elsewhere to the advantage, importance, and direct profit, of employing themselves this year with the *American Agriculturist*, (New York) the cheapest as well as the most valuable journal in the country. Every number contains one hundred columns of original reading matter, by the leading writers of the country, upon all topics connected with the farm, garden and household, and nearly one hundred engravings made specially for the *American Agriculturist*. The paper, now in its forty-third year, is unquestionably more valuable than ever before. Each number of being fresh evidence that no time or money is considered where the interest of the paper is at stake. Its "House Plans and Improvements," profusely illustrated, are worth more than any costly architectural work. Its persistent and fearless exposure of humbugs and swindling schemes is of great value to the whole country, particularly the farming community. In short, it has something good and valuable for everybody.

Beware.

Coughs, colds and slight throat diseases often develop in bronchitis, seated cough, consumption, etc., and should have immediate attention and be removed in the first stages. Not only public speakers, but all, are liable to throat diseases and to obtain relief should use Hamilton's Cough Troches, which relieve coughs and hoarseness, making the article flow freely. Warranted to give satisfaction. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by A. B. Armstrong and E. F. Richmond & Son.

A Word of Warning.

To all persons who are suffering from any disability arising from impurity of the blood, enquire of your druggist for Dennis' Blood Liver and Kidney Cure, which is universally approved and being more contracted—a half a teaspoon more or less, according to the age, or constitution of the patient. A half pint for $1, or 6 bottles for $5. Will give you better satisfaction than any patent medicine you can get. Try one bottle and you will be convinced. It will save your wealth, and health and as a legitimate result you will avert the liability of malarial, and contagious diseases that are snatching away our loved ones from our midst. Don't fail to call for Dennis' Great American Panacea if you have a sore throat, toothache, cut, burn, sprain or bruise. Price 25 cents. Or if you have a cough, cold in the head or the best thing for croup, get Dennis' Superior Cough Syrup, price 25 cents. Dennis' All Healing Balm of Gilead Salve, 25 cents a box, or Green Mountain Salve, 10 cents a stick. Dennis' Headache and Catarrh Snuff is the very best in the market. Price 25 cents a bottle. C. T. Dennis, Proprietor and Manufacturer, Proctorsville, Vt.

My child, four years old, was taken with convulsions, straightening out the limbs, and seemed lifeless. I gave none of K. K. Thompson's Extract Worm Powder and she soon relieved at once. Druggists sell it at 25 cents a bottle.

OUR ANCESTOR'S REMEDY.

The Secret of Their Unusual Vigor Disclosed and How It can be Acquired.

There was something about the sturdy vigor of former generations that challenges the admiration of every man, woman and child. They were no spineless —those ancient fathers. They lived simply, and successfully met and overcame difficulties that would have discouraged this age and generation. The rigors of the frontier were supplemented by the savages; wild beasts threatened their enterprise and poverty was a common companion. Yet they bravely encountered and resisted all those things and laid the foundations of a land whose blessings we now enjoy. Their constitutions were strong; their health unconquered and yet

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"RIDING DOWN THE CURRENT."

Richard Cobb, the once honored "war governor" of Pennsylvania, has for years made his assertion of party and public principles because of the fearlessness of that old republican honesty of purpose and commendable manliness and purity of motive which characterized his public career. In 1871 Governor Geary defeated him for the Senatorship, and in 1872 Governor Hartranft succeeded in defeating him for Congress. Since then Governor Cobb has been a private citizen, and has not been heard from in politics. He has remained quiet, but has not changed his principles. He has not been a mugwump, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Democrat, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Greenbacker, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Prohibitionist, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Blaine man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Stalwart, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Half-breed, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Conkling man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Cameron man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Quay man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Hartranft man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Wallace man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Mackey man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Randall man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Kelker man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Mann man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Dimmick man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Gowen man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Cassidy man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Bigler man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Wolfe man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Hall man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Mann man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Dimmick man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Gowen man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Cassidy man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Bigler man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Wolfe man, but has remained a republican. He has not been a Hall man, but has remained a republican.

Governor Cobb is a strong republican county committee of course to great consideration and has always received more than his measure. The court and the united Troops in the several districts have been from time to time to this county and it has usually had the highest honors in the gift of the county. He has been a member of the county committee and has been a member of the county committee and has been a member of the county committee and

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NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

[illegible] will be paid [illegible]

The Old Market.

The following table contains the fluctuations for the week closing yesterday.

	Open'g	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Monday	71	71¼	70¾	70¾
Tuesday	70¾	71	70¼	70¼
Wednesday	70¼	[illegible]	69¾	69¾
Thursday	69¾	70	69¾	69¾
Friday	70	70¼	69¾	69¾
Saturday	69¾	70	69¾	69¾

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

—"It's hard to get rid of a habit,
A bill to a miser, a wife or the gout—
A tongue or a pen, or a dirty old—
Is a difficult thing to knock out."

—The newspaper is in its element when the hand, which has known a cent is pressing and begins with a man that will [illegible]

—Our subscription list is growing longer and longer every week.

—The ground hog was not so much in evidence after all.

—Wish you'd only send a thousand to the chicken crop.

—The proprietor of the Co-op department store has had by $15,000 since it came into existence.

—The capitalists have organized an electric light company with a paid up capital of $100,000.

—Another one of that kind stepped quietly down here the other week and left a number of unpaid bills.

—An exchange says that a man [illegible] has been operated on as a cure for diabetes or pleurisy. Great Scott! Who will be next?

—Little county of ours that we pulled along by the ears [illegible] in by years, and Crawford claims to have been entangled for 43 years.

—Some of the boys say that the vote on rules to be held on Friday night for selecting a borough ticket was composed of fifty one democrats, seven dem republicans and [illegible] Freeman.

—At a regular meeting of Post 317, G. A. R. of this borough last evening it was resolved that the Post would attend the grand camp fire of Bradford Post [illegible] Tuesday evening in a body.

—The Port Allegany *Reporter* was one of the strongest advocates of a poor house in the county, and its town and township gave the "keep" vote against it. Behold the power of the press!

—The Bradford Star learns that the extension of the Buff. N. & P. from Clermont to connect with the P. & R. will be commenced with the opening of spring. We hope our contemporary is well informed.

—The compositors of the newly elected borough council on some respects is dissatisfactory to many citizens. But they are entitled to a waiver of judgement until installed into office, and then to be judged only by their works.

—The concert of the Ellis fami[illegible] at Rixford on the opera house Saturday evening was under the auspices of the Baptist church, and should be well attended. The concert itself is grand and highly spoken of wherever they have been.

—Bro. Stalker, of the Friendship *Express*, is wrestling with a bill that Bob has "assumed" with many dollars problems in his day and is still on top. It will take something heavier than a libel suit to down Bob. We know Bob years ago and speak by the card.

—The law forbidding the sale of intoxicating liquors on election day was rigidly observed by our hotel keepers, yet some of the "workers" allowed any of can one of being supplied with the fluid. Probably they exercised "free choice" to a gin fizz before, and prepared for each by same.

—A mortgage of $3,000,000 has recently been filed in the recorders office against the Rochester & Pittsburg Railroad Company and in favor of the Union Trust Company of New York. The R. & P. are to be used in securing payment of $1,000 on the road for closing on foreclosure shall not exceed $100,000.

—We are pleased to no[illegible] every one's surprise that Port Allegany and Liberty towns should have voted so solidly against the poor house. No explanation. "That's none of mine." There's only one man over there. Enoch voted again and all of others all the rest did." The argument on an unsatisfactory.

—A certain dodger called the Boom Army —and a very appropriate name it is too —was out canvassing about the streets on Tuesday. His editor did not announce himself, which is to his credit. We wonder why? If we were he [illegible] to say that he would acknowledge fame as an editor and he learns to write readable and grammatical English.

—There was quite a murmur of wonder among about the wedding service on St. Luke's church—many at first thought a service was private, with invited ones only in attendance. The rector says that there is no such thing as applicable service of any kind in the church, and whosoever the doors are open as many are free to come in as the church will hold.

—The Warren *Ledger* tells of an accident at Kane on the 4th inst. by which Mr. E. F. Johnson was badly hurt while [illegible] a log. The story which follows, one piece striking Mr. Johnson in the side, knocking him down and nearly smothers. He was attended by Dr. Crossman and at last accounts was doing well.

—Isn't it about time that the public reap some benefit from the reduction of duties on sugars? The reductions announced to 10 per cent. and so far some but [illegible] small cases and dealers reap any benefit. The public does not pay any the more [illegible] price as before and getting the same quality of goods. What is the use of taking off the tax if the public is not to be benefitted?

The Tuxedo Club.

The first second ball of the Tuxedo Club will be given Thursday, Feb'y 28th, in Kutridge Opera House. No pains have been spared to make this the event of the season and a grand good time will be enjoyed by all who participate.

A Valuable Publication.

Ex-Town Clerk Jas. Devlin for February is as we do expect ever any previous issue, and it has always been as nearly perfect as any of that class of publications. It is a mystery to us how people who travel can very well get along without it. It is [illegible], correct and reliable.

The Limestone Tannery.

The large tannery at Limestone has fallen into the hands of Hoyt Bros. of New York. They have no other tanneries and their tannery property alone is worth from $1,000,000 to $1,500,000. There is to be some very extensive repairs put on the property at Limestone. They are to be 52 in dry house with a capacity of drying 20,000 sides at a time. The tannery will employ 150 men when in the running to its full capacity.

To Whom The Credit Belongs.

The Bradford *Era* gives credit to whomsoever is due when it says in speaking of the water work of that city "It may not be generally understood that the plan of water works finally adopted by the water comm'rs owners, is precisely this. first, suggested, explained, argued and "fought for" by Councilman J. L. Andrews, and materially different from the original plan. Mr. Andrews has proved himself an expert in affairs of this kind. To prove the proposition to the satisfaction of the council, he consulted all by letter the most eminent hydraulic engineers in the country, and, by their decisions, demonstrated conclusively that his plan was the correct one. Mr. Andrews claims that, by his method, there is a saving of 35 per cent. more water than if less than 6 per cent. of the first estimate of cost and that the plan now to be put in operation will insure a more pure supply."

Wax Bandboy Prize.

Some months ago we mentioned the fact that A. H. F. Shaw, architect and surveyor of this borough had won a prize in a contest of skill in his profession. We now learn that he has been successful in another contest of a like nature. The editor of one of the leading trades papers of New York, the *Carpentry and Building*, [illegible] a prize of $50 each for the three best designs for a dwelling. Each competitor was to furnish an original design with specifications and a full bill of the material required. Also the dwelling was not to cost over $6,000. Mr. Bishop received one commendation and for [illegible] was to get $25 &c., and a few days ago received a letter from the editor of the C. & B. stating that he was one of the three successful contestants, and accepting a draft for forty dollars. Perspective views of the three successful designs will appear in the March num[illegible] *Carpentry and Building*. Mr. Bishop has reason to be proud of the fact that he is to be an architect. Both recognition which is coming in competition with that of members of the profession throughout the United States.

The Borough Election.

There was not much excitement at the boro ough election, but sufficient quiet interest to bring out a good vote—about three-fourths the full vote of the borough. At the [illegible] caucus on Saturday evening, which was largely attended, a ticket was nominated which was generally satisfactory with the exception of two candidates—Mr. Beckwith and Mr. Shearer, for coroner three years—and another ticket was got on the field with the names of D. C. Young and S. J. Gifford on their banner. The regular ticket was, however, elected throughout. Following is the vote of each candidate:

Burgess—John C. Barnes, 255.
Assistant Burg. as—Frank Moses, 257
Councilmen one year—William Farmer 194 C. D. Gallup 195.
Councilmen two years—John W. Freeman 178 A. R. Armstrong, 176.
Councilmen three years—A. D. Burbank 210 I. Shearer 211, D. C. Young, 213 S. J. Gifford, 85.
Assessor—Stanley Gifford, 257
Constable—H. L. Bellinger, 255.
Auditor—W. Z. Granger, 257
Judges of Election—B. J. Gifford, 257
Inspectors of Election—B. M. Smith, 258 S. A. Stalker, 74
Poormaster—J. C. Hamlin, 253.
School directors three years—John C. Parsons 196 H. L. McCoy 257
School Director, two years—F. M. Rodgers, 259
School Director, one year—H. L. Wilcox 257.

On the question of for or against poor house the vote was for, 139; against, 78.

Arrested by an Intruder.

Robert King was in Lock Haven a few days ago, where he manages as a reporter of the Clinton Republican. "Bob" is one of the most [illegible] men in the world and has no use for corrupt per[illegible] or politics, and I like [illegible] that the "cruel" [illegible] would result in an attack on the Republican under the head of "Bat re-owning a Prominent Man," reading as follows: H. Robert King, of Smethport, a representative of Kenney & Co., a firm who have their head quarters at Smethport, McKean county, and [illegible] operations over $3,000,000 of capital, is in this city and is stopping at the Central hotel, the agent of the County Treasurer says. The company owns 70,000 acres of land in four or county on which they pay $10,000 taxes, 5,000 acres in Clinton county, three according to $500, about the same amount in Clearfield county, and 10,000 acres in McKean county that cost the company $4,000 taxes annually. The reporter of this paper, through the kindness of Mr. Shaver, had a short interview with Mr. King; their utterances and found him full of business, but he nevertheless kindly spared the time to give the information above recorded."

PERSONAL MENTION.

Joseph Mayo, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been spending a few days in town.

H. S. Sartwell, of the Grand Central, took a flying trip to Du Bois the week.

Chas. H. Salsger, of the Star and A. J. Carr, of the Mail, accompanied the Fire Police of Bradford on their visit to the borough last evening.

Jas. A. Anderson, of Hamilton township, was in town last evening. Age and the hardships of early pioneer life begin to tell on the old gentleman, yet when he tells about his mother still living at the age of 96 and hale and hearty he seems almost a young man, notwithstanding his 71 years.

Mrs. T. C. Wantman, of Eldred, Pa., mother of Mrs. E. G. Pyne, of Otto, N. Y., met with a serious accident, and it is feared fatal accident, by falling on an icy sidewalk last week. Mrs. Wantman experienced a fall a few months ago which resulted in a broken arm, but had become nearly well when the accident of last week occurred.—*Ellicottville Union.*

THE FIREMEN'S BALL.

Some Compare Mr. Lee Thompson to Powell, The Grand Ball in Success, and They Don't go Home till Morning.

The dance is over and the ladies present, and the members of Rose company No. 1 and their friends are congratulating themselves and each other upon the success of their grand ball given in honor of the Bradford fire police and their friends. And well they may. Smethport has had balls and balls, and dances of every description, yet never can more successfully carried out, more highly enjoyed, more pleasant in retrospect than that of last night. It was given in honor and complimentary to their friends of the Bradford fire police in return for previous courtesies. The B. F. P. were there the guests of the occasion and nothing was too good for them. Special cars had been chartered, which, leaving Bradford with the regular 4:20 p. m. train, arrived here at 5:45 with fifty eight visiting passengers. The visitors were met at the Mechanic's street crossing by the base company in a body, headed by a band of music, from whence they were escorted to the Grand Central hotel for supper. At 9 o'clock, after the guests had time to refresh themselves with supper and rest, they were escorted to the opera house, which had been tastefully [illegible] and arranged as a ball room. After all the guests were seated, Robert H. Rose, Esq., stepped forward and in well-chosen and happy remarks cordially welcomed our Bradford friends. His remarks were responded to briefly and heartily by C. L. Roberts, Esq., of the Bradford fire police. At the [illegible] an elegant banner was handed down from the stage, where it had until then been kept in concealment, and E. L. Freeman, Esq., on behalf of the ladies of Smethport, presented it to Smethport hose company No. 1, with a few words of congratulation and praise, and charging them as they looked at the banner to remember that it was given by their warm, sincere, laugh ers and sweethearts, and never waiver on or fail duty, to do anything to cause the fair donors to be ashamed of them. As C. S. King, foreman of the company received the beautiful gift, which was a surprise to him as well as the rest of the company, he was placed in an embarrassing and unexpected position. He, in a few manly words, he thanked the ladies, who had always been the staunch friends of the fire department and assured them that the more and her command would ever strive to do honor to the banner and make happy the hearts of those who gave it. All who remain were happy never heard and more heartily received.

But all this time the dancers were becoming impatient, and hardly had the cheering at the close of Mr. King's remarks subsided when the band struck up a waltz and the dance began. At one o'clock supper was served at Wright's hotel and continued until three. Many of the company left at 4 in the morning but the more enthusiastic remained on until 5. All who were present testified that they "never had a better time," and we do not doubt their sincerity. Nearly all of our prominent citizens with their wives were present though many of the elder ones could remain but a few hours. The guests from Bradford were

H. A. Todd and wife and Miss Dora Dare, W. A. Jones and wife, Delos Armstrong and wife, John B. Zook and wife and daughter, Thos. Connelly and daughter, P. H. Fuller and wife, W. H. Chapman and wife and Miss Nettie Fuller, A. J. Lindsey and wife and Miss Nellie Carney, Lee Kennedy and wife, Jos. Moorhead and daughter, A. J. Carr and wife and Miss Hook, Jas. F. Barrett and wife and Miss Lizzie DeGeiser, T. A. Southwick and wife, Mrs. R. E. Wilbur and Miss Zoe Whitney, J. A. Miller and wife, Miss Mollie Schrader, Henry Sondheim, E. Urquhart, H. L. Roberts, Geo. H. Hills, J. A. Eger, Palmer Baker, H. Decker, Chas. H. Seager, M. Cohn Capt. A. W. Coburn, Kent Kane, Geo. A. Bodine, J. P. King, Henry Shearman.

At 7.20 the morning the special coaches were attached to the regular train for Bradford, and after a substantial breakfast at the Grand Central the Bradford guests started for home, leaving behind repeated expressions of satisfaction and thanks for the entertainment and hospitality so freely tendered and so fully enjoyed.

Holidays on Fridays.

All the legal holidays of 1884 will fall on Thursday or Friday, as follows: Washington's birthday on Friday, February 22. Good Friday on the 11th of April. Decoration day on Friday, May 30. Fourth of July on Friday, 4th. Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 27. Christmas on Thursday, December 25.

Grand Army Camp Fire.

Grand Army post 141, of Bradford, have issued invitations for a grand camp fire and evening of social entertainment to take place in Orpheus hall, Tuesday evening the 26th inst. Extensive arrangements are being made, and it is safe to say that the post will fully maintain its fame in this direction. The posts outside of the city to which invitations have been extended are Smethport, Eldred and Kane, and they have signified their intention to send large delegations from each command.

An interesting feature of the entertainment will be the presentation of a badge to Post Commander J. A. Eger as a complement and recognition of his services in behalf of the post. The badge to be presented in gold, the exact pattern of the Grand Army badge surmounted by a gold eagle. Each of the five points of the star will be set with a diamond, and a ruby in the eagle's eye. This will be suspended by a gold link from a post commander's gold bar, with another eagle on a green field, the bar in turn pendant from an escutcheon representing a rising sun background, surrounded by crossed swords, muskets, cannon, etc. A circle scroll across the lower part of the escutcheon bears the name, in raised block letters of gold—"Col. J. A. Eger." On the reverse side the following inscription "From Post 141, G. A. R., to Post Commander Joseph Arthur Eger, February 22, 1884." Following is the

PROGRAMME.

Assembly	Drum Corps
Invocation	Rev. Hiram Corey
Music	Drum Corps
Our Country	J. W. Skinner, Esq.
Battle Cry of Freedom—Song	Lewis Emery, Jr.
Post No. 141	Gen. W. Andrews
Babylon is a fallen enemy	Mayor Bradley
Our City	
Marching Through Georgia	
	J. M. Story, Wm. Cheney
Our Churches	Rev. Dr. D. W. C. Huntington
Marching Through Georgia	Drum Corps
Our Schools	Prof. Chas. F. Scott
Historic Presentation to Post Commander Eger,	M. A. Page
Response	Col. J. A. Eger

PART II.

My Maryland	The Harrington Glee Club
Oh!	C. L. Wheeler
Tramp, Tramp, Tramp—Song	Lewis Emery, Jr.
The Rose and the Gem	Mrs. L. F. Davies
Come to War	Drum Corps
We Parted From the Same Colors	H. L. Page
Hail, Oh, Old Flag	Quartette
Army Hymn	Rev. Hiram Corey
Kingdom Coming—Song	C. W. Hamilton
The Women of the War	J. M. Gridley
Where the Great War is Over—Song	Mrs. L. F. Davies
The Press	W. F. Kinsman
Good Comrade	H. H. Bradley
Taps	Drum Corps

—Just as we go to press we have received an important communication from Ludlow regarding the recent election in Hamilton township. We regret that it came to hand too late for publication this week.

BRADFORD.

Mass Company No. 1 Get Themselves Fixed, Have Grand Ball in Success, and They Don't go Home till Morning.

The directors have been very quiet in social circle, there being only one ball given up.

Mr. D. DeGolier and Miss. Lovinda B. Brown were married Tuesday evening at the residence of Postmaster H. F. DeGolier.

The bottom has been knocked out from under the oil market and the bulls have lowered their horns. Oil is selling now at $1044 with prospects of a still further decline.

The councils have resolved to appeal to the court to fix the gas rate charged the city. The gas company has been robbing the city systematically for years, and "even a worm will turn."

The sheriff is kept busy at present. The office here is in charge of Deputy R. E. Whitely, who gives general satisfaction. When he once gets his hand on a slippery debtor there is no escape.

Madame Belle a female astrologer is at the St. James. She will find that a good field for her operations as many of the brokers are devout believers in the ability of this class of people to predict the price of oil.

L. Emery Jr., has placed in his art museum a splendid painting by Tom Moore Jeglaris of Venice. It is fifteen feet long by nine feet wide and is encircled by a gold frame. The painting represents a gondola scene in Venice and is said to have cost $3,000.

The friends of Geo. T. Keith have been trying to get him appointed an engineer of the construction of the new water works at $200 per month, and had almost succeeded when Japanese cheap labor steps in and offers to do it for $150 per month. What the result will be is not known as the councils tabled both resolutions.

Very little talk is heard on the streets or elsewhere as to County nominations for the fall election although I have heard the name of J. L. Andrews mentioned by many republicans as a possible or probable candidate for Sheriff. There would be difficulty in finding a man better fitted for the office than he, and his nomination would please many of his friends in this city of both parties.

Jacob Dudley had his shin [illegible] terrible manner while working on one of the wells Sunday. He was in the act of drawing the sucking rod from the well and failed to [illegible] stream [illegible] as the rod emerged from the well. It flew towards the top of the derrick with great rapidity, and, the cable snapping came back with equal force and struck him squarely on the head. It passed through and come out under his chin then through the shoulder and out beneath the arm. Notwithstanding all this Dudley still lived and cried lustily for help. Two men hearing him came and pulled the iron out. He was then carried to a house where he lived for about six hours being conscious most of the time. His wife and three children were at his bedside to whom he talked of the accident and about some of his business affairs. He realized that he had to die and bade them an affectionate good bye. The rod that caused the accident was about 1 of an inch in diameter.

JUNIPER.

Bradford Pa., Feby 20 1884

FALL BUSINESS SUITS—Greenewalds Bradford

The Famous Ellis Family

The celebrated Ellis Family ball ringers vocalists and instrumentalists who gave an entertainment in this borough three or four years ago and which will be remembered as being most delightful and satisfactory will give another of their first-class performances at the opera house Saturday evening, February 23rd embracing many new novelties and attractions, full particulars of which may be obtained both from large and small bills. The Titusville Sunday *World* of a recent day says of their performance in that city "The audiences which greeted the celebrated Ellis Family at the M. E. church last night was very large and judging from the liberal applause bestowed, the entertainment gave universal satisfaction. Little Elsie completely captivated her hearers by her sweet singing being possessed of a clear soprano voice of great power for one so young. The most noticeable feature was the performance by Miss Rosie on the cocophone or musical glasses, with guitar accompaniment, it being the general verdict that it was the best rendition of the kind ever listened to by a Titusville audience this lady a performance on the silver bells was very fine as was also that of Miss Fanny and an imitation of cornet with large bells by the family was so well rendered as to almost delude the audience. The balance of the programme was also very well rendered." Prices of admission Children under eight years of age accompanied by their parents free under fifteen years of age 25 cents, general admission 35 cents, reserved seats, 50 cents, for sale at Armstrong's drug store. A free exhibition of their wonderful musical instruments at the opera house on the afternoon of the day of their performance from 3 to 4 o'clock. All are invited to call and see them.

FALL OVERCOATS—Greenewalds, Bradford.

Meeting of the County Committee.

We were unable to attend the meeting of the county committee at Bradford yesterday, but gather from the report of the *Era* the following as the action of the committee:

It was ordered that the primaries for electing delegates to the county convention be held Saturday March 15, 1884 and that the convention be held at Smethport, in the court house, March 18, 1884, at 1 o'clock, for the transact on of business as shaped in the call for this meeting.

It was resolved as the sense of the committee that the method of nominating state senators and members of congress remain as at present.

It was also the sense of the committee that a separate district convention be called to elect delegates to the national convention, to be held at Chicago in June, 1884.

It was resolved that the chairman be directed to notify the chairmen of county committee of the 16th congressional district of the action of the committee in regard to electing delegates to the national convention.

It was also resolved that the convention called for March 18th elect three delegates to attend a separate district convention to elect delegates to the national convention at Chicago. Also to request the other counties to send delegates to said district convention.

The chairman was instructed to call a convention for nominating county officers, &c., at his discretion as to time, and the committee adjourned.

CHILDREN'S SUITS—At Greenewalds', Bradford, Pa.

THE POOR HOUSE VOTE.

The People Decide by a Majority of Over 700 to Authorize the Purchase of a Poor House and Farm, the Erection of Suitable Buildings.

There had been so little general discussion throughout the county, except editorially through the newspapers, of the question of creating a poor district of the county and authorizing the county commissioners to purchase real estate and erect suitable buildings, that it was supposed the vote on the question last Tuesday would be very light. From this fact it was also feared by those in favor of the project that the indifference of its friends would suffer its defeat. But the result shows that the people had been turning the question over seriously in their minds and came to the polls with positive opinions in relation to it. About 3500 votes were cast, fully three-fourths the vote of the county, outside of Bradford city, and the majority in favor of the poor house is over 700. This is certainly a very emphatic expression of the people—nearly two to one—and the county commissioners will not be justified in delaying in the least the carrying out of their wishes so plainly expressed. Following is the vote of the several precincts both for and against:

	For	Against.
Annin	93	59
Bradford, 1st district	98	5
" 2d "	91	
	187	7
Ceres	2	27
Corydon	13	15
Duke Centre, 1st district	19	47
" 2d "	105	20
Eldred Township	101	2
Borough	64	
Foster 1st district	43	1
" 2d "	18	65
Hamlin	7	
Hamilton	64	
Kendall 1st district	91	
" 2d "	85	186
Keating 1st district	41	23
" 2d "	97	
Lafayette	10	171
Liberty	3	95
Norwich	22	24
Otto 1st district	104	1
" 2d "	17	105
Port Allegany	1	69
Sergeant	130	28
Smethport	138	2
Wetmore	1021	885
Majority for	736	

Illustrated Sermon.

The last of the series of sermons on the Prodigal Son" will be delivered at the M. E. church next Sunday evening subject "Welcome Home."

St. Luke's Church

Services on next Sunday at 8 a. m. (holy communion) at 10.30 a. m. and 7 p. m. On Ash Wednesday, the 27th inst. at 10.30 a. m. (holy communion) and at 4 p. m. services on every Wednesday and Friday in Lent at 10.30 a. m. and 4 p. m. Meditations on Wednesday afternoons on "The Seven Penitential Psalms" and on Friday afternoons on "Our Lord's Crown of Suffering."

Boy's and Children's

Clothing. Largest assortment. Lowest prices—Greenewalds', 124 Main st., Bradford Pa.

The Warner Astronomical Prizes.

H. H. Warner of Rochester N. Y. has offered the following prizes for 1884. Two hundred dollars for each and every discovery of a new comet made during the year. The comet must be discovered in the United States or Canada, either with the naked eye or a telescope, and must be unexpected. The discoverer must immediately telegraph to Dr. Lewis Swift director of the Warner Observatory, Rochester, N. Y., giving the exact time of the discovery of the comet, with its position and the direction of its motion with suffic ent exactness, if possible to enable at least one other observer to find it. This intelligence must not be communicated to any other party or parties, either by letter or telegraph or otherwise, until such time as telegraphic acknowledgment has been received by the discoverer from Dr. Swift. Three disinterested astronomers will be selected to settle disputed questions.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that after March 1, 1884 my books will be placed in the hands of C. M. Smith, with instructions to make immediate collection of all accounts due. Parties indebted to me will therefore save trouble and costs by prompt payment.

C. M. COLEGROVE.

Colegrove Pa., Feby 25, 1884. tf

Fine Shoes

If you want a fine shoe, either ladies', gents, or children's, call at W. D. Gallup's. He has just received a large stock of them and as fine goods as was ever brought into Smethport.

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Surveying and Conveyancing.

The undersigned is prepared to execute commissions in the line of his profession promptly and on reasonable terms. Orders solicited. Office in Backus building, with Dr. H. L. McCoy.

JOHN KING,
Surveyor and Conveyancer
Smethport, Pa., Sept. 13, 1883-1y

BOYS SUITS—Greenewalds', Bradford.

Important Notice.

There are yet outstanding accounts due me for subscription, advertising and job work, up to January 1, 1884, to the amount of $3,000 or over. Every dollar of this is justly due me and must be paid. If I could have stolen the paper, ink, &c. and cheated my employees out of their salaries, I could possibly afford to lose or pay away these accounts. But I couldn't—or at least didn't. Having no expectation or desire to be able to escape payment of any just debts myself, I must insist that these accounts owing me shall be paid as soon as possible. I hope every man or woman knowing themselves to be so indebted will consider this paragraph personal to themselves and will call at once to see "the man who wrote that piece" and get satisfaction, in other words, a receipt in full signed by

H. F. BARROUGH.

Notice.

Having disposed of our store, we now wish all those knowing themselves to be indebted to us to call and settle before the 1st of March, as all accounts not settled by that time will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

E. F. RICHMOND & SON.
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COMMUNICATIONS.

The editor of this paper is not responsible for views expressed under the above heading. Correspondents in order to receive attention should be courteous and reveal their identity simply as a matter of good faith.

THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENCY.

Answer To Fair Play.

Having noticed the article in your issue of the 15th inst., entitled "Fair Play," I wish to say a few words in reply. We certainly ought to want "fair play" if we have any play at all, and among the things that make fair play is accuracy of statement. The Port Allegany *Reporter* said of Prof. E. Horton, "than whom there is a no more able instructor in northern Pennsylvania," thus placing Prof. Horton where he belongs among the first class instructors. "Fair Play" represents the *Reporter* as saying, "he is the best teacher in northern Pennsylvania." There may be many more as good, but he certainly stands in the first class. Having been acquainted in Tioga county for twenty years, and a resident of Wellsboro, the county seat, for nearly half of that time, perhaps I may have some right to say that he stands high in that county as an educator and superintendent. The one fact alone that his salary was raised five hundred dollars a year, at the close of his first term of office, and that this is two hundred and fifty dollars per annum more than any other one has received, for service in the office of superintendent, shows the estimation in which he is held in that county. To say that his army record is a noble one is but to express a fact character istic of the man. The fact also that recommendo could be got from such men as Judge Williams, Profs Reynolds, Calkin and others almost *ad infinitum* if needed is certainly a fact worth considering by the electors of McKean county. If I mistake not there were six candidates in the field at the election referred to by S. U. C., and that Prof. Horton stood ahead of four of them, there being but one ahead of him, who of course, was elected. Perhaps the electors thought that a change would be but "fair play," as perhaps electors in McKean county may think next May.

O. C. HILLS.

STEP HATS—Greenewalds', Bradford.

Shooting for Health.

There is no recreation that will benefit invalids so much as shooting at target. There is something about it that strengthens the nerves and builds a man up and with the low price of rifles, shot guns, pistols, etc., it is the cheapest medicine send for our illustrated catalogue it is free. Address, Great Western Gun Works, Pittsburg Pa.

A Remarkable Cure

Mrs. J. K. Stull, who has been suffering with that terrible disease, scurrhus cancer and believes she is perfectly cured requests us to publish the following in gratitude to those who were instrumental in her cure.

CONVILLE, Pa., Feb'y 19 1884

In the month of March 1883 I discovered a small hard lump in my right breast which seemed to be movable in any direction. I consulted eminent physicians and they pronounced it scirrhus cancer. I went to Dr. Geo. Crandall infirmary Addison, Steuben county, N. Y. June 3 1883 was under treatment four weeks and returned home as I have every reason to believe permanently cured as up to this time there is no indication of a return of the disease. I shall never cease to feel grateful to Dr. Crane and especially to my nurse Mrs. Sarah Crandall, who, with a light hand and a loving sympathizing heart, is ever ready and willing to administer to the slightest wants of those placed under her care. To them and their sure remedies next to my Creator, I feel indebted for my present health and escape from a most horrible and much dreaded death.

Mrs. J. K. STULL.

Professional Nurse.

The undersigned announces to the public that she is prepared to perform the duties of a Professional Nurse wherever her services may be required either in or out of town. From a long experience in this capacity she is confident of being able to give good satisfaction. Orders by mail or telegraph promptly responded to.

Mrs. FRANK KERNS.

Smethport, Dec 0 '83. tf

Attention is invited to the following references:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN—I hereby certify that Mrs. Frank Kerns of this borough, has for the past six years been employed in the capacity of nurse in my family, in which capacity she has proved herself a faithful and efficient nurse, and I cheerfully recommend her to all requiring such services as being careful, trustworthy and reliable.

S. D. FREEMAN M. D.

Smethport Nov 7th 1883.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN—This is to certify that we have known Mrs. Frank Kerns in the capacity of nurse for a number of years and freely say that she is very efficient and faithful.

H. L. MCCOY M. D.
F. G. BROWN M. D.

Smethport Dec 1 1883.

MARRIED

MCMANUS—HARTHORNE—At the residence of the bride's father in Hamilton township by Rev. John Myers Mr. H. McManus of Bingham Warren county to Miss Ellen Harthorne youngest daughter of Charles Harthorne of Hamilton township McKean county Pa. No cards (cake).

BOSWORTH—HAMLIN—At Luke's church by Rev. J. Hewitt Mr. Glenn Bosworth on Wednesday morning Feb'y 20 1884 Miss Eugenia Hamlin of Smethport Pa to Charles Bosworth of Bradford N. Y.

Grist Mill For Rent.

The undersigned offers a Grist Mill situated in Farmers Valley Pa. for rent. The mill is in first class order, has three run of stone, good steam power and is all the time in operation for turning out first class work. For particulars apply to or address

CASPER SMITH
Feb'y 8 1884 3m. Farmers Valley Pa.

LEGAL.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF VENDITIONI EXPONAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County and to me directed, I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport Pa. on MONDAY, 25 DAY OF FEBRUARY 25th, 1884 at 2 o'clock p. m.

All the defendant's interest in and to all the following described parcels of land in the township of McKean county, Pa. bounded and described as follows, to wit:

First—Beginning at the northeast corner of land conveyed to Thomas Hughes, lot No. 174, thence west eighty perches to the northwest corner of same; thence north seventy-six and two-tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 183, thence east eighty perches to the southeast corner of same, thence south seventy-six and two-tenths perches to the place of beginning, containing thirty-eight acres, more or less, and being lot No. 176, of Keating allotment of lands in said township, and having erected thereon one good dwelling house, one frame barn and usual outbuildings all improved, well watered and having a good orchard.

Second—Beginning at the northeast corner of lot No. 215 thence north seventy-seven and five-tenths perches to southwest corner of lot No. 216, thence east forty perches to a post corner thence south one hundred and sixty seven and five-tenths perches to a post corner in the north line of lot No. 224 thence west eighty-eight perches to a post corner thence north ninety perches to a post corner thence east forty-eight perches to the place of beginning containing sixty-eight and nine-tenths acres more or less, being lot No. 224, of Keating allotment of lands aforesaid.

Third—Beginning at a post in the southeast corner of lot No. 224 thence east forty and four tenth perches to northeast corner of lot No. 226 thence north four perches to the northwest corner of lot No. 228 thence east fifty-eight perches to a post corner thence north forty-nine degrees west four perches to a hemlock corner thence north six degrees west forty five and six tenths perches to a post corner thence west two and seventy tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 230 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 232 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 236 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 238 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 240 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 242 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 244 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 246 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 248 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 250 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 252 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 254 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 256 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 258 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 260 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 262 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 264 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 266 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence west two and [illegible] tenths perches to the southwest corner of lot No. 268 thence north twenty four degrees west forty-one and five-tenths perches to an ash corner thence north sixty-one and one-fourth degrees west [illegible] perches to a post corner thence

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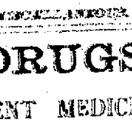

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